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RESEARCH IN PROTEIN FOOD
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Defence Research Development Organisation (DRDO) has made their research in production of protein food for the Jawans posted at remote and isolated parts of the country;

(b) if so, the names of the various food products developed by the DRDO so far;

(c) the details of various food production units existing in various parts of the country;

(d) the names of the other products developed by DRDO for Defence Personnel; and

(e) the funds allocated for such research work in DRDO during 2003-2004 and 2004-2005?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Protein food developed by DRDO includes protein rich biscuits, nutri bar, mutton mince and mutton pulav.

(c) Nineteen firms have set up their production units in various parts of the country including Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai for processed food based on technologies developed by DRDO.

(d) Several other products have been developed by DRDO for Defence personnel such as ready-to-eat food, survival ration, emergency ration, Chapati and MBT ration.

(e) The funds allocated for the research work on food processing and allied fields is as follows:

Rs. 7.44 cr. in 2003-2004
Rs. 2.76 cr. in 2004-2005.